

IN THE CLAIMS

Claim 1 (original): Support garment comprising an elastically extensible body part (1, 20, 30, 40, 50) for exerting an overall pressure on the abdominal region of a patient and a crotch part (2, 21, 31, 41, 51), which parts are interconnected at the front (11) and the back (10, 24) of the garment, the edges of those portions of the two parts which are interconnected at the back of the garment being curved in flat condition and the radii of curvature of opposed parts of the edges being related so that the radius of curvature of the curved edge (33, 43) of the crotch part (2, 21, 31, 41, 51) is smaller than the radius of curvature of the curved edge (32, 42) of the body part (1, 20, 30, 40, 50).

Claim 2 (original): Support garment according to claim 1 wherein the radius of curvature of the curved edge of the crotch part (2, 21, 31, 41, 51) is 10-15 mm smaller than the radius of curvature of the curved edge of the body part (1, 20, 30, 40, 50).

Claim 3 (currently amended): Support garment according to claim 1 ~~or 2~~, wherein the curved edge (33, 43) of the crotch part (2, 21, 31, 41, 51) is convex.

Claim 4 (original): Support garment according to claim 1 wherein the overall pressure on the abdominal region is 15-50 mmHg (20 - 67 hPa).

Claim 5 (currently amended): Support garment according to ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1 wherein the body part (1, 20, 30, 40, 50) is made from a knitted material.

Claim 6 (original): Support garment according to claim 5 wherein the body part (1, 20, 30, 40, 50) is made from a knitted tubular

material.

Claim 7 (currently amended): Support garment according to ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1 wherein the body part (1, 20, 30, 40, 50) is made out of a material comprising one or more elastic yarns.

Claim 8 (original): Support garment according to claim 7 wherein the elastic yarn is preferably elastan yarns.

Claim 9 (original): Support garment according to claim 8 wherein the material of the body part (1, 20, 30, 40, 50) comprises between 16 and 60 % of weight elastan yarn.

Claim 10 (original): Support garment according to claim 9 wherein the material of the body part (1, 20, 30, 40, 50) comprises between 30 and 50 % of weight elastan yarn.

Claim 11 (currently amended): Support garment according to ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1 wherein the crotch part (2, 21, 31, 41, 51) is made from a material having a good feel.

Claim 12 (currently amended): Support garment according to ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1 further comprising a hole (8) for a stoma.